PLANNING & INSPECTIONS MONTHLY REPORT: July 2005

TOWN & COUNTY BOARD ACTIVITIES:

Edenton Planning Board:

July 2005: Heard the following cases: Case No. TA 05-01: A request from the Town of Edenton to amend the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO): Article IV. Permits and Final Plat Approval, to add Section 85, Subdivisions in the Historic District. The Planning Board recommended approval to Town Council (5-0); Case No. TA 05-**02:** An application from Dr. Lloyd E. Griffin, Jr. requesting an amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) of Article X, Section 146, Table of Permitted Uses, to add the use category Drugstore/Pharmacy with Drive-Thru and to amend the use category of Building Supply Sales. The Planning Board recommended approval to Town Council (5-0); Case No. TA 05-03: A request from the Town of Edenton to amend the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO); Article XII, Section 184 (a), Building Setback Requirements, to decrease minimum setbacks in CH, CN, and SC Zoning Districts. The Planning Board recommended approval to Town Council (5-0); Case No. TA 05-04: A request from the Town of Edenton to amend the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO); Article XII, Section 185 (2), Maximum Lot Coverage, to increase maximum lot coverage allowance. The Planning Board recommended approval to Town Council (5-0). The Board directed staff to research potential incentive/requirement language for redevelopment of existing non-conforming commercial developments; Case No. TA **05-05:** A request from the Town of Edenton to amend the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO); Article XVII, Section 280 and 281, Signs in CH Districts, to decrease allowable size of freestanding signage. The Planning Board recommended approval to Town Council (5-0); Case No. TA 05-06: A request from the Town of Edenton to amend the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO); Article XVIII, Section 291 (e), Table of Parking Requirements, to decrease parking requirements for various commercial uses. The Planning Board recommended approval with a minor amendment to Town Council (5-0); Case No. TA 05-07: A request from the Town of Edenton to amend the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO); Article XII, Section 296 (a), Vehicle Accommodation Area Surfaces, to allow for overflow parking on pervious surfaces. The Planning Board recommended approval with amendments to Town Council (5-0); Case No. TA 05-08: A request from the Town of Edenton to amend the Architectural Design Standards for New Commercial Construction to include a definition of substantial renovation and provisions for rear yard landscape buffering. The Planning Board recommended partial approval to Town Council (5-0). The Board asked that the definition of "substantial renovation" be tabled pending further research on a definition that incorporates the percentage of change to the linear face of the building, a sliding scale; however they gave approval of the provisions for landscape buffering in the rear yard.

Edenton Board of Adjustment:

July 2005 - Gave approval for Case No. BOA-05-03: An application from Chowan County ABC Board for a variance from Article XII, Section 184 Building Setback Requirements, for the property located at 1328 North Broad Street.

Edenton Preservation Commission:

 July 2005 - 4 Major Certificates of Appropriateness (COA's) issued; 4 Minor COA's issued.

Edenton-Chowan Technical Review Committee:

■ *July 2005* - No Meeting.

County Planning Board:

 July 2005 - Reviewed and made comment on sketch plan for proposed 73 lot subdivision on NC 32 and Welch Road, received public comment.

County Board of Adjustment:

■ *July 2005* - No Meeting.

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

- <u>Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)</u> Phase I, Blackbeard Rd. and Pembroke Circle acquisition applications appraised; Phase II, King St. elevation application survey completed. Verbal confirmation that Phase III, Eden St. acquisition has been approved.
- Rural Transportation Planning Organization (RPO) No Meeting.
- Community Development Block Grant (CBDG) -New Scattered Site Rehabilitation Grant for 2004 in progress.
- <u>Chowan County Planning Initiatives</u> Land Use Survey conducted and completed by Wooten Company.
- <u>Architectural Standards Committee</u> Amendments to UDO presented to Town Planning Board at July meeting for Council decision in August.

PLAN & PERMIT REVIEW:

	<u>June</u>	<u>Year to date</u>
Final Plats Reviewed:	<u>5</u>	<u>30</u>
Sign Permits:	<u>1</u>	<u>9</u>
Site Plans Reviewed:	<u>6</u>	<u>25</u>
Site/Landscape Inspections:	<u>2</u>	<u>9</u>
Zoning Confirmation Letters:	<u>3</u>	<u>12</u>
Zoning Permits Issued:	<u>13</u>	<u>77</u>

BUILDING INSPECTIONS:

The following numbers of inspections were conducted: Current: $\underline{308}$ (YTD: $\underline{2,085}$). Inspections reviewed $\underline{19}$ (YTD: $\underline{71}$) building plans. The Inspectors traveled a total of $\underline{1,648}$ (YTD: $\underline{10,102}$) miles. There were a total of $\underline{105}$ (YTD: $\underline{642}$) permits issued as listed below:

Residential: New SFD Addition Garage Decks Renovations Temporary (Travel Trailer) Accessory Building Pools	<u>June</u> 15 2 2 3 4 0 0 2	 YTD 50 15 19 20 42 0 13 3
Non-Residential: New Renovations Signs/Footings-Electric Fence Demolition Additions	3 0 0 0 0 0	13 8 0 0 1 4
Manufactured / Mobile Homes: New Replacements	<u>4</u> <u>0</u>	<u>22</u> <u>15</u>
Trades: Electric Mechanical Gas Plumbing Re-inspections	21 21 8 16 4	165 112 63 71 16

The administrative assistants received a total of $\underline{1,662}$ calls over the one month period, with an average of $\underline{83}$ calls per day.

NUISANCE CODE ENFORCEMENT:

Written Complaints Received: 12
Violation Notices Mailed: 15

Violations Types:	<u>July</u>	YTD
Junk Car:	<u>4</u>	<u>56</u>
Min. Housing	<u>0</u>	<u>11</u>
Noxious Weeds and Grass	<u>15</u>	<u>94</u>
Zoning:	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>
Signs:	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>

Violations Abated: $\underline{9}$ Code Enforcement Officer traveled a total of $\underline{350}$ miles.